

I am deeply dismayed by Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before an important election. This is a clear example of the dangers of -- and abuse of -- media consolidation. We should not stand for it.

This action is unacceptable. When large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for their bottom line and their owners' political agendas, and less of what we need for a vibrant democratic process.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.